[Mr. K. S. Joseph]

(c) whether they would consider the desirability of expediting the work?

Mr. K. K. Kartha: (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) The work can be taken up only after the completion of the Kollakkadavu bridge.

Mr. K. S. Joseph: With regard to answer to part (c), I would like to know what is the connection between the bridge at Kollakkadavu and Praikara? Why should one be taken up only after the completion of the other?

Mr. K. K. Kartha: The bridge referred to is on the Thiruvella road. On this particular road there are three bridges. If one bridge alone is repaired it will not facilitate the traffic on this road.

Mr. K. S. Joseph: Does the honourable member mean to say that he cannot take up these three bridges at one and the same time?

Mr. K. K. Kartha: A schedule of major bridges has been prepared in which priority is given to important bridges. The bridge under reference comes as 12 in the list. These bridges will be taken up in the order of their priority.

Mr. K. S. Joseph: Has the Kollakkadavu bridge been taken up?

Mr. K. K. Kartha: It comes lower down in the list. Other bridges have been taken. When its turn comes it will be taken.

Mr. K. S. Joseph: On what principle was this priority list drawn up?

Mr. K. K. Kartha: It depends upon the importance of the particular bridge on a particular road.

Mr. K. S. Joseph: Does the honourable member mean to say that this is not an important road and that there is not enough traffic on it?

Mr. K. K. Kartha: There are more important roads in the State.

Agricultural Income-Tax.

276. ***Mr. A. N. Satyanesan**: Will the Government be pleased to state when they propose to levy agricultural income-tax?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker (*Secretary to Government*): Government are already levying agricultural income-tax under the Agricultural Income-Tax Act, I of 1119.

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Mr. A. N. Satyanesan: കാർഷികാദായനികുതി എപ്പോഴാ ഏർപ്പെടുത്തുമെന്നു പറയുവാൻ മന്ത്രിക്കാകുമോ?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: അതു് ഇപ്പോൾതന്നെ ഏർപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ടു്.

Agricultural Income-Tax.

277. ***Mr. K. C. Chandy** (*Thodupuzha cum Minachil*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of agricultural income-tax assessments made by the Income Tax Collector of Kottayam in the years 1119 and 1120 (till the end of Vrischigom 1120);

(*b*) the number of appeals perferred against these assessments;

(*c*) the number of such appeals disposed of in the above-said periods; and

(*d*) the number of such appeals allowed by the appellate authority?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker:

	During 1119.	*Up to the end of Vrischigom 1120.*
(*a*)	140	107
(*b*)	91	50
(*c*)	10	*
(*d*) Remanded	10	3
Allowed	Nil	1

Mr. K. C. Chandy: May I know why there is so much delay in the case of income-tax assessment? Is there any specified reason for that?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker: It depends sometimes upon the nature of the enquiry conducted.

Agricultural Income-Tax return.

278. ***Mr. Paul A. Thaliath**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number from whom agricultural income-tax returns were demanded in 1119 and 1120 respectively;

(*b*) the number assessed;

(*c*) the number whose returns were accepted; and

(*d*) the number whose returns and accounts were rejected?

Mr. C. P. Gopala Panicker:

(*a*) 2018 in 1119.
2432 in 1120.

(*b*) 453 in 1119.
898 in 1120.

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